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DISMOUNT TABLET COMPUTER

FOR WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

**APPLICATION** 

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## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.131**

We, the named inventor in the subject patent application, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.131, hereby declare that:

 We conceived and completed a prototype of our claimed invention in this country before March 13, 2003, which is the earliest available priority date of Published Application U.S. 2006/0241865.

- 2. The claimed invention is a tablet computer assembly. As defined in pending claims 1-7 and 9-10 of this application, the tablet computer assembly comprises a global positioning system (GPS) module that produces location information, an L-band transceiver that broadcasts the location information to a satellite relay and receives location information from at least one portable communications device, and a processing unit that provides messages to the L-band transceiver and updates a display according the received location information and the location information produced at the GPS module.
- 3. As defined in pending claim 11-15 of this application, the tablet computer assembly can be used as a dismount communications device in a vehicle communications system. The dismount communications device comprises a global positioning system (GPS) module that produces location information, an L-band transceiver that broadcasts the location information to a satellite relay and receives location information from at least one portable communications device, and a processing unit that provides messages to the L-band transceiver and updates a display according the

received location information and the location information produced at the GPS module. A mounting unit allows the dismount communication device to be mechanically fixed to the interior of a vehicle and electrically connected to a power supply within the vehicle.

- 4. As defined in pending claims 20-25 of this application, the tablet computer assembly comprises means for determining the location of the tablet computer relative to a standard set of coordinates, means for transmitting the determined location to a satellite relay, means for receiving location information from at least one portable communications device, and means for displaying the determined location and the received location information on the geographic map.
- 5. Exhibit A is a copy of photograph of the completed tablet computer assembly in operation. This photograph was taken at a meeting with Col. Nick Justice, Thomas Plavcan, Bob Alexander, and Leo Emery at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey on Feburary 18, 2003, prior to the March 13, 2003 of the Smith reference.
- 6. Exhibit B is a copy of a photograph of the claimed invention in disassembled form. Text labels have been added to aid in the identification of the components, but the photograph is otherwise provided as originally

taken. This photograph was taken of the disassembled tablet assembly in the United States prior to March 13, 2003.

- 7. Exhibit C is a schematic drawing of the input/output board used to provide connectivity between the processing portion of the tablet computer and the L-band transmitter (Enhanced Chipset with GPS) made on a date prior to March 13, 2003.
- 8. Exhibit D is an illustration of a mounting arrangement for a tablet computer assembly made on a date prior to March 13, 2003.
- 9. The tablet computer assembly illustrated in Exhibits A and B was tested in this country and determined to be operational prior to March 13, 2003.
- 10. We hereby declare that the tablet computer assembly illustrated in Exhibits A and B comprised an operative embodiment of the invention defined in the pending claims 1-7, 9-15, and 20-25 of the present patent application.
- 11. We further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge

- We hereby declare that the tablet computer assembly 10. illustrated in Exhibits A and B comprised an operative embodiment of the invention defined in the pending claims 1-7, 9-15, and 20-25 of the present patent application.
- We further declare that all statements made herein of 11. our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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## **EXHIBIT A**







